

REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-22, 26 and 27 will be pending in this application, of which claims 10 and 16 are being amended, and claims 26 and 27 are being added. Claims 1-22 were allowed.

Claims 10 and 16 are being amended, and claim 26 is being added, to recite flowing into the permeable zone, a heated fluid comprising one or more of an oxygen-containing gas, steam, oxygen, air, or hydrocarbons.

Claims 27 is being added to recite that the injection fluid supply is capable of providing a heated fluid comprising one or more of an oxygen-containing gas, steam, oxygen, air, or hydrocarbons, into the permeable zone.

The claim amendments and added claims are supported by the Specification and claims and add no new matter; thus, entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

The claim amendments and added claims are supported by at least the following parts of the Specification:

For example, the heated fluid can comprise a vaporized liquid such as steam that is supplied by an injection fluid supply 27 such as a steam generator, and injected into the subterranean reservoir 11 via tubing 26. The steam can also be super-heated to provide more thermal energy. As another example, the injected fluid can comprise an oxygen-containing fluid. In this version, an oxygen-containing fluid, such as oxygen gas or air, is supplied by injection fluid supply 27 and is injected into the subterranean reservoir 11 at the injection zone 24.

(Page 8, lines 8-15.)

... The well 71 can comprise a well casing 73 and a tubing 76 through which fluids such as steam, oxygen, other gases and hydrocarbons, are flowed. A permeable zone 13 having a predetermined shape is formed that extends

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upwardly from an injection outlet 75 in an injection and receiving zone 74 of the well bore 72 into the subterranean hydrocarbon reservoir 11. A suitable vertical angle of the permeable zone 13 may be at least about 5°, such as from about 5° to about 30°, and even from about 10° to about 20°. In operation, heated fluids, such as for example steam or oxygen-containing gases, are introduced into the permeable zone 13 via the injection outlet 75.

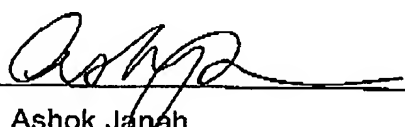
(Page 12, lines 14-22.)

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the above remarks, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicant's representative at the number listed below.

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